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: Pharmaceutical Hard Capsule Containing Inorganic Substance

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- 1. Response Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.
- 2. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- 3. Preliminary Amendment.
- 4. Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and references.
- 5. Japanese Certified Priority Document Nos. 2004-022624 and 2004-057099, filed January 30, 2004 and March 2, 2004, respectively.
- 6. A check in the amount of \$1,244.00 in payment of the basic filing fee of \$770.00, an additional claims fee of \$344.00 and the surcharge for late submission of the Declaration for \$130.00

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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
 Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

• Additional claim fees of \$398 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

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- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$398
 - \$108 for 6 total claims over 20.
 - \$290 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

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